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BY HAND DELIVERY AND FACSIMILE

Jeff S. Jordan, Esq.
Ms. Alva E. Smith
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5585

Dear Mr. Jordan and Ms. Smith:

We are counsel to the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and James J. Bonham, as Treasurer ("Respondents"). A Designation of Counsel to that effect is enclosed. We write to seek an extension of time in which to respond to the complaint in the above-referenced MUR.

Respondents require additional time to develop the information necessary to respond to the factual allegations contained in the complaint. The wind down from the recent November 2 election, the intervening Thanksgiving holidays, and the upcoming Louisiana runoff elections make it difficult to assemble the relevant facts from Respondents' staff and consultants within the fifteen days normally allowed. Accordingly, we respectfully request that the time for response be extended until the close of business Monday, December 20, 2004.

Please advise us as soon as possible regarding the requested extension. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,



Judith L. Corley
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Counsel to Respondents

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**Statement of Designation of Counsel
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The above named individual is hereby designated as my counsel and is authorized to receive any notifications and other communications from the Commission and to act on my behalf before the Commission.

11.5.04

Date

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Signature

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Information is being sought as part of an investigation being conducted by the Federal Election Commission and the confidentiality provisions of 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12)(A) apply. This section prohibits making public any investigation conducted by the Federal Election Commission without the express written consent of the person under investigation.

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